



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:) RECORDED DATA ERASER FOR A
TOMOAKI ITO) MAGNETIC STORAGE DEVICE
Ser. No.: 10/511,572) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: 10/13/04) Examiner: Unassigned

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Applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the art listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

The art listed on the attached was brought to the attention of Applicant in a Search Report dated March 2, 2006 from a corresponding European application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

It is believed that the claims pending in the above application are allowable over the cited references. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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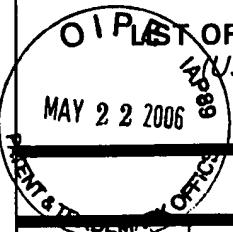
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AA	3,321,586	5/67	Krones			
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